GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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POST GRADUATE EDUCATION & RESEARCH IN DENTAL SCIENCES IN AIIMS
Jha Shri Raghunath

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that post graduate education and research in dental sciences was to be established in the AIIMS during the Sixth Five Year Plan (1980-85) but the same has not been established till date;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which the same will be established?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c): The Academic Committee of the institute had initially approved the setting up of a Center for Postgraduate Education and Research in Dental Science in 1979 to be established during the 6th Five Year Plan. But the same did not materialize. The Expenditure Finance Committee approved the proposal at an estimated cost of Rs. 23.21 crores on 11.10.2001. However, due to change in the scope of work, the proposal had to be revised. EFC approved the revised proposal at an estimated cost of Rs. 40.42 crores. The matter is in the final stage of tender finalisation. The project is expected to be completed within one year of award of the contract.